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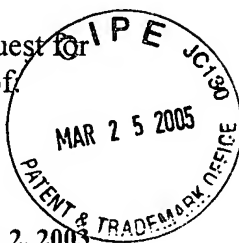
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Art Unit: 3632

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For: GROCERY BAG APPARATUS AND ASSOCITED METHODS



**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

1. **[Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114]**
  - a. ☐ Previously submitted. If a final Office action is outstanding, any amendments filed after the final Office action may be considered as a submission even if this box is not checked.
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  - b. ☒ Enclosed.
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    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
2. **[Miscellaneous]**
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  - b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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    - iii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
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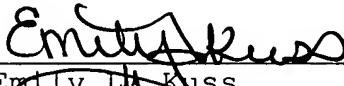
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